

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

RETURN

or

PROCEEDINGS

UNDER

"THE LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACTS, 1881 AND 1887;" "THE
LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885-1886;" AND "THE
PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACT, 1885,"

DURING THE MONTH OF

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IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 1891.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," up to the 26th day of February, 1891; also of Proceedings up to same date, under "The Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1885-1886," and under "The Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1885."

COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

L.—FAIR RENT.

(a.) *In Court.*

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st January, 1891, Applications received in month of February, 1891,	170,532	Rents Fixed— By Chief Commission to 31st January, 1891, " in month of Feb., 1891, 156	3,459 24	3,475
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 31st January, 1891, Do. in month of February, 1891,	5,074	By Sub-Commission to 31st January, 1891, " in month of Feb., 1891, 176,367	133,802 643	134,445
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st January, 1891, Applications received in month of February, 1891,	27,734	Dismissed and struck out— By Chief Commission to 31st January, 1891, " in month of Feb., 1891, 8,096	2,000 7	2,007
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 31st Jan., 1891, Do. in month of February, 1891,	1,152	By Sub-Commission to 31st January, 1891, " in month of Feb., 1891, 20	34,517 384	34,541
Total, . . .	—	Withdrawn*— By Chief Commission to 31st January, 1891, " in month of Feb., 1891, 1,194	4,745 39	4,784
		By Sub-Commission to 31st January, 1891, " in month of Feb., 1891, Total disposed of,	8,525 45	8,571
			—	188,194

(b.) *Out of Court.*

Agreements out of Court, in Form 33, fixing Fair Rent to 31st January, 1891, Do., do. in month of February, 1891,	107,355 351
Total, . . .	107,356

* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.*

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.); Applications received to 31st January, 1891,	1,196	Number disposed of to 31st Jan., 1891, " in month of February, 1891,	1,900 34
Applications received in month of February, 1891,	13		
		1,189	
Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.) transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 31st January, 1891.	27		
Do. in month of Feb., 1891,	—	27	
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared tenants of present tenancies (Form 81) received to 31st January, 1891,	983		
Applications in month of Feb., 1891,	4	987	
Total,	—	2,183	Total disposed of, 1,954

* The first notice of application to the Court, setting it avarous upon the true value of a tenancy, for real, or rights of labour, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEES OR GUARANTEES TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE
1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2)—
FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 31st February, 1891,†	55	Leases or Grants declared void to 31st Jan., 1891, " in month of Feb., 1891,	50	
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st Jan., 1891, " in month of Feb., 1891,	25	50
		Applications withdrawn or compro- mised to 31st Jan., 1891, " in month of Feb., 1891,	3	25
Total,	55	Total disposed of,	—	3
			—	43

† The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 22nd February, 1890.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMEN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDINGS
UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887."—Form 83.

Number of Applications received to 31st Jan., 1891, " in month of Feb., 1891,	9	Applications granted to 31st Jan., 1891, " in month of February, 1891,	—	
Transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 31st January, 1891,	8	Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st Jan., 1891, " in month of February, 1891,	5	
" in month of February, 1891,	—	"	1	6
Total,	—	Applications withdrawn to 31st January, 1891, " in month of February, 1891,	1	1
	12	Total disposed of,	—	7

V.—PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885—1886.

Applications received to 31st Jan., 1891, " in February, 1891, . . .	3,023 16	Rents fixed to 31st Jan., 1891, " in February, 1891, . . .	2,334 3	
		Applications dismissed, struck out, and withdrawn to 31st Jan., 1891, " in February, 1891, . . .	254 1	255
Total, . . .	3,039	Total disposed of, . . .	—	2,592

VI.—APPEALS TO FAIR RENT, &c.

Number of Appeals lodged to 31st Jan., 1891, " in month of Feb., 1891, . . .	56,451 211	Number heard to 31st Jan., 1891, " in month of Feb., 1891, . . .	14,273 233	
		Number dismissed or struck out to 31st Jan., 1891, " in month of Feb., 1891, . . .	*1,076 —	1,076
		Deduct cases remitted to 28th February, 1891, . . .	273	891
		Number withdrawn to 31st Jan., 1891, " in month of Feb., 1891, . . .	14,715 188	14,904
Total, . . .	56,663	Total Number disposed of, . . . Remaining to be disposed of, Total, . . .	— — —	30,211 6,451 36,662

* In 645 cases the Notices were struck out because maps were not lodged as required by Rule 74, and in 452 cases because the Notices were not duly stamped. Of the former 65 cases, and of the latter 312 cases, were remitted.

VII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACT, 1885.

—	Number.	Amount.
Loans applied for to 31st January, 1891, " in February, 1891, . . .	24,469 334	£ 9,020,819 140,758
	25,103	9,751,575
Loans sanctioned to 31st January, 1891, " in February, 1891, . . .	18,930 345	7,832,014 130,279
	19,295	7,952,333
Loans issued to 31st January, 1891, " in February 1891, . . .	14,284 127	6,037,006 61,654
	14,421	6,098,650

CIVIL BILL COURTS.

MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 1891.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," as notified to the Irish Land Commission, up to the 28th day of February, 1891.

I. FAIR RENT.

(a) In Court.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st January, 1891, Applications received in month of February, 1891,	24,098	Rents fixed to 31st January, 1891, " in month of February, 1891,	12,505	
	75	"	49	12,554
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed to 31st January, 1891, Applications received in month of February, 1891,	3,535	Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st Jan., 1891, " in month of February, 1891,	3,639	
	8	"	7	3,646
Applications to fix Fair Rents in Civil Bill Courts under sec. 5 "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," when an ejectment is pending, to 31st January, 1891, Applications received in month of February, 1891,	1,803	Applications withdrawn* to 31st January, 1891, " in month of February, 1891,	283	
	2	"	—	283
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st January, 1891, " in month of February, 1891,	8,974	
		"	34	8,998
Total,	—	50,041	Total disposed of,	—
				50,041

(b) Out of Court.

Agreements out of Court, in Form No. 31, fixing Fair Rent to 31st January, 1891, Do., do., in month of February, 1891,		7,022
		2
Total,		7,024

* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.*

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Restoration of Holdings, &c.): Applications received to 31st January, 1891, Applications received in month of February, 1891,	405	Number disposed of to 31st January, 1891, " in month of February, 1891,	167	
	3	"	1	168
		Transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st Jan., 1891, Transferred in month of February, 1891,	27	
		"	—	27
Total,	—	411	Total disposed of,	—
				195

* The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, assistance of legal, or any other question within the Court's jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1868, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 31st February, 1891,*	6	Leases or Grants declared void to 31st Jan., 1891,	—	
" in month of February, 1891,		" in month of February, 1891,	—	—
Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st January, 1891,	6	" in month of February, 1891,	—	6
" in month of February, 1891,		" in month of February, 1891,	—	—
Applications withdrawn or compromised to 31st January, 1891,	—	" in month of February, 1891,	—	—
" in month of February, 1891,		" in month of February, 1891,	—	—
Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st January, 1891,	—	" in month of February, 1891,	—	—
" in month of February, 1891,		" in month of February, 1891,	—	—
Total,	6	Total disposed of,	—	6

* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 3rd February, 1888.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887."—FORM 88.

Number of Applications received to 31st January, 1891,	20	Applications granted to 31st January, 1891,	1	
" in month of February, 1891,	—	" in month of February, 1891,	—	1
Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st Jan., 1891,	9	" in month of February, 1891,	1	9
" in month of February, 1891,		" in month of February, 1891,	—	—
Applications withdrawn to 31st January, 1891,	1	" in month of February, 1891,	—	1
" in month of February, 1891,		" in month of February, 1891,	—	—
Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st January, 1891,	3	" in month of February, 1891,	—	3
" in month of February, 1891,		" in month of February, 1891,	—	—
Total,	20	Total disposed of,	—	8

Irish Land Commission,
14th March, 1891.

JOHN H. FRANKS.